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Hon. Burke Marshall Department of Justice Constitution Ave. & 10 St. M.W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Burke:

Enclosed please find copy of a telegram received this morning, which is more than somewhat contradictory to the letter I furnished you of February 7th.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Morris B. Abres

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IN THE PAME OF COMMON SENSE. . .

. . . 2 clipping from the <u>Clemson Tiger</u> states that Clemson students have taken a clus from Molicro, who wrote with an ageless touch: "Good sense avoids all extremes, and requires us to be soberly rational we must yield to the times without being too stubborn."

If you criss-cross Alabama, you get the impression that rational people realize that change is the law of life, and technology is accelerating the tempo across the boards. Alabama's changing too, from what used to be an agricultural state to an industrial state. More and more people think that industry is the answer to our economic needs. Hand in glove with this change is the Kegro's desire for a change in human relations, and now that the courts are closing up the legal loopholes, change in this vital human area appears inevitable.

What's behind it?

A businessman last week told me he thought the Negro's desire for justice and equality of opportunity stems from the fact that the New Testament they've been



reading omits any mention of skin color and states that

Jesus taught that God loves every human being. "They believe

it, and I guess it's a pretty good point of departure." Maybe

the next time I see him, he'll be ready to enlist with the

Alabama Council on Human Relations, because he said:

"People have got to start thinking with their heads instead of their emotions, and face up to inescapable fact that there are changes coming."

communities better than anyone else, of course, but it seems to me that we need to avoid empty sloganeering and get people to accept the inevitability of change. Once they accept it, the only choice is whether Alabama and Alabama communities make the change the hard way or the easy way.

The hard ways have been in the headlines, and reasonable people know that violence hurts everybody, and also hurts the pocketbook; scares off payrolls and chokes economic growth.

There's no easy blue print of the easy way, either. People have an inbuilt resistance to change that only intellect can overcome.

But it appears to be good common sense to sit down and talk about some of the things that cause racial tensions. Opening up channels of communication can't hurt, and can't fail to help. If the Alabama Council can help people to face the fact of change, to choose between the hard and easy way, and then to sit down and talk with human beings about solutions . . . well, it will have made a wital

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ALABAMA COUNCIL ACTIVITY

- regation suits" in Monile Federal Court, the Mobile Chapter of the Alabama Council joined with other groups that issued a joint call:
- 1)... to all civic club members, churchquers, and clubwomen to pass and endorse resolutions urging all American citizens in our area to fulfill their duties as responsible, law-abiding persons, and to maintain sanity, respect for law and order, and observance of the orderly processes of democracy in settling whatever disputes may arise in this crisis.
- 2) . . . on the City and County governments to take a strong stand on the problem of controlling lawless and violent elements who might endeavor to make our community the battle-ground for their ideological differences; also to implement this strong stand by establishing a City Committee on Friendly Relations to promote good-will and understanding between the different racial groups in the area.
- 3)... on the Chamber of Commerce, the Business and Professional Landers of the community, the School Board, the School Administration, the principals, the parents, the teachers and students in our schools to carry us through this crisis without allowing it to degenerate into the disasters that have befallen Little Rock, New Orleans, and Oxford, Missinzippi.
- building, Dr. Paul Anthony, director of field services for the Southern Regional Council, told how Atlanta met its desegregation crisis without the slightest taint of violence.
- ... accepting the challenges of keeping pace with the changing patterns of merit employment ... the <u>Huntsville</u> Council sponsored a workshop on equal employment opportunity.

"I'm sure glad I came" . . . "This workshop has been a big help to me". . . and other similar statements were made by men representing management at the workshop.

"Ne've got several people studying the general employment picture; others in the council are going to be working with companies interested in hiring the best man for the job . ____looking at his education, his experience and general fitness

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for the job . . . instead of his skin.

JOKE:

I guess a couple of hundred jokes have been devised about Meredith's admission to Ole Miss. And it's inevitable that the jokesters are now working on Gantt's admission to Clemson. Some of the jokes are too ugly to repeat, but the other day I teard one that I believe will get a chuckle from both races.

It seems (as the joke goes) that Gantt decided to report for football practice at Cleason, and Coach Frank Heward was upset to get the word that there would be a Kegro on his squad. So Howard decided to give Gantz the works, and see if the Megro couldn't be discouraged in his football aspirations.

The coach assembled all his white boys, and said, "Now I'm going to ask Gantt to purt the ball, and just as he gets off the kick, you guys clobber the colored boy."

So Gentt took a pass from center and punted the bell 80 yards. He was clobbered, all right but he managed to pick himself up.

"Okay", Howard whispered to his white squad. "This time, we'll make Gantt pass the bell, and you guys go in there and murder that colored boy."

Gantt got the ball and passed it 60 yards down field, into the arms of a racing receiver.

"All right," Howard told his men, "this time we'll boot the kickoff to Gantt, and you fellows clobber that colored boy before he has a change to move.".

Well, the kickoff went to Gantt, who sidestepped a host of tacklers and twicted all the way down the field for a touchdown.

"Gee, Coach," one of the white players said, "what'll we do this time to get rid of that colored boy?"

"Colored boy?" Howard asked innocently. "What colored boy?" .

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THE WASHINGTON POST Saturday, May 25, 1963

Teaching Communism

The cold war is a hard fact of the times. wage it, which is to try to lead a productive me tional life despite its heavy demands, American must know what it is. To this end a consesses has come into being that communism should be taught in the schools. However, according to of enters who have studied the matter, many of the programs so far developed have been marred by hysteria or pedantry. Furthermore, is a number of phots the impetus for teaching communicahas come only from groups on the right whe dislike of communism is not properly balanced in our epinion by a full appreciation of do

DOCTOR. Hence it is reassuring that, belatedly, repres tive and responsible groups of Americans are starting to contribute their resources. A few days agu, for instance, there was issued a teacher-training syllabus prepared at the University of South Carolina under the sponsorship of the American Bar Association. The apt title of this excellent syllabus, which avoids the fatal error of substituting indoctrination for information, is "Democracy and Communism in World Affairs. B is in tended to serve the training centers which are springing up around the country to meet the rising demands of local communities for sensible instruction in communism. We hope that the syllabe or something like it, will be made available to the many teachers who will not attend an institute, and to adult education programs and other to derested groups as well.

Education in the nature, tactics and appeal of communism is too important to be done in a slipshod manner or to be left to any but the country's ablest citizens. It is entirely appropriate and estirely American-for scholars, lawyers and prefessional educators to effer their prestige

their talents in this field.

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This Preface to a suggested syllabus for teacher training in the field of Democracy and Communium in World Affairs has a specific purpose: to explain why the American Bar Association has one termed itself with education in this area and why and how the syllabus project came into bring.

The legal profession's concern is both general and specific. The first object of the American Bar Association, as stand in its Constitution, is "to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States and ministain representative government." It is our belief that the gravest threat to our national freedom and democratic form of government is the international Communist movement. If the ambitions of the Communist dictators are realized, our Constitution and representative government in America would be destroyed. In a broader sense, freedom under law would be destroyed everywhere. The preservation of this basic freedom—which embracts all of our Cherished freedoms—has traditionally been within the unique competence and responsibility of lawyers and judgms.

President John F. Kennedy, in his Special Message on Educaion submitted to Congress early in 1963, declared in part:

the twisting course of the cold war requires a chinesey that understands our principles and problems. It requires skilled management and brishpower to match the power of totalization disciplins. It requires a scratific effort which demonstrates the superiority of fractions as because a centered in every state with maliciantly bread harisons and sufficient maturity of judgment to guide this Nation safety through whatever his should.

In short, from every point of view, education is of parameters corn to the aminosi interest to well as to each individual. . .

It is obvious that our citizenry—including our youth in schools and colleges—must understand the nature and the scriousness of the Communist threat. This means more than an uncomfortable awareness that Communism threatens freedom in our country. The real need is for widespread knowledge in some depth of the history, dectrines, objectives, and tactics of the international Communist movement, studied with an understanding and approciation of our American principles of human dignity and individual equality under the

In focusing attention on the subject of Communism and its contrast with liberty under law, we are not unmindful of the broader

The need for more attention to the basic beliefs, systems, and longerm conflict between democracy and Communist despotion has been repeatedly cophasized by American leaders. Former President Eisenbarrer said:

Competition for men's minds begins when they are students. This is why they must be taught to discern between the American form of government and the Soviet form.

Alten W. Dulles, a lawyer and former Director of the Central landligence Agency, was one of the first national landers to emphasize the need for education in this field. He said:

We seek for and wide in this country, assess education on the whole bidgey of the Communist assessment. . . . We should not be afreld to seach the publict. The history of Communism and all of its works would have its own indictment of the system. Let the facts speak for farmandres.

Although the American Bar Association established a Committee in 1950 to study and report on Communist tactich, strategy and objectives, it was not until February, 1961, that its House of Delegates adopted significant resolutions dealing with the pressing need for education on this subject. In part these resolutions unid:

we excurage and support our achools and colleges in the presenttion of adequate instruction in the history, doctrines, objectives and backs of Communica, thereby helping to instill a greater approxition of democracy and freedom under her and the will to preserve that freedom.

The action of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association attracted widespread and favorable public attention. Numerous requests were received from Bar organizations, educational authorities and the public for advice and assistance as to what could be done to promote such a program.

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In response to this demand, a special associates of the American Bar Association under the chairmanship of Lewis F. Fawell, Jr., of Richmond, Virginia, prepared and published a pumphle critical fluoruction on Communium and Hs Contrast with Liberty Under Law. The release of the pamphlet was noted immediately and forerably in the press and in the Contrastation, and the measured tower purish for an annual states of the nation, and the measured tower of the pamphlet was applauded. Although it was directed towards the of the pamphlet was applauded. Although it was directed towards the need for instruction in depth on the subject of Communium at all levels of characteries, its emphasio—as a program in which the organized Bar might take a constructive part—was at the high school level.

At the time the Association first called for the teaching of the facts about Communism, the question being debated was schriker these should be courses on this subject. The extent of progress in public searceness is indicated by the fact that the question today is how to teach such courses. Other organizations have played a leading role in achieving a consensus on the importance of teaching in this subject area. A major contribution, for example, was the combined diget area. A major contribution, for example, was the combined diget of the American Legion and the National Education Association whose joint committee published a booklet entitled Teaching About Communics: Guidelines for Innier and Senior High School Teachers in 1962.

To strengthen and provide continuity of Bar effort in this field, the House of Delegates in August, 1962, amended its By-Laws consolidating the special committees into a permanent Standing Committee on Education Against Communism and directed it in part to "encourage and support our schools and colleges in the presentation of adequate instruction on the contrast between Communism and Eberty under law."

Educational authorities, gratified and encouraged by the development of a public consensus favorable to the introduction in our school system of courses of study in this subject, emphasized to our Committee the need to offer training courses for teachers in the social science field to help them fulfill their classroom responsibilities. Several outstanding teacher workshops were held during the summer of 1962. A Workshop on Basic Issues in Crizenship, for example, was conducted by the Nine States Youth Citizenship Project and sponsored by the Commissioners of Education of the Nine Northeastern States and given at the Lincoln Filene Center for Citizenship and Public Affairs at Tufts University.

Carolina; Dr. Rodger Swearingen, Director, Research Institute of Director, Institute of International Studies, University of South Hernin; Rev. R. J. Henle, S. J., Donn of the Graduate School, The the four programs in 1962. They included Dr. Richard L. Walter, coders in higher education who had directed and participated in Congress. Thanks bergely to his efforts we met with some of the Echael of Government, Harrard University. Saint Louis University: Dr. Ewing P. Shahan, Director of Sum From the inception of its work the Comm gred as a visiting faculty member for the special Defense Strategy ough to rely on the advice and plans sector, Mr. Prank Rockwell Barnett. Mr. Barnett, a Rhodes schol ny of whom are themselves educators, howyers, and members of al War Callege in Washington, D. C., for senior reserve officers, or during with Com d former Wahnah College prof sid Strategy and Propaganda, University of Southern Cal Vanderbilt University; and Dr. William Yandell Elliott, pion and world affairs held at the Nacase, has for several years ing of its very able program

The Committee's consultation and delileration brought out the fact that whereas there have been some remarkably fine developments in he smatrials prepared for use in secondary achools and in the guidesiaes for teachers, there has been no source to which those undertaking teacher training could turn for guidance and assistance. The Committee decided therefore to develop such a source, utilizing the extrements and approaches of several universities where successful pericules and seminars had already been held. This volume, which it must be stread in tentative, is the result.

The Committee has had the advantage of being able to occure the assistance of the faculty of one of the leading sational centers for the studies of international affairs in pulling the staterials together. Under the direction of Dr. Richard L. Waller, the Institute of International gested as the University of South Carolina has prepared this stagested model syllabus and guide for teacher training institutes and workshops. While the syllabus itself has been developed primarily out workshops. While the syllabus itself has been developed primarily out of the program at the University of South Carolina, it has in-occupanted where feasible materials and suggestions from other occupanting institutions. This volume also contains brief summaries of operating institutions. This volume also contains brief summaries of abernate approaches followed at the University of Southern Caffornia, St. Louis University, and Vanderbilt University. The eminent and responsible educators at all of these centers of learning gave freely of their knowledge and experience gained from their participate

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tion in teacher institutes held hat summer. Their exoperation during the course of the preparation of this volume was a source of inspire tion to all of the members of the Committee.

Our Committee is privileged by this opportunity of serving in the role of supportur of these prominent echolars. This syllabus has been written, not for the purpose of being the final word, but as a meaningful document prepared by experts to be used and further developed as a tool by educators all over the country. It could not have been written without the fine cooperation of the amony achidant who helped Dr. Walker.

We wish to express our appreciation for the advice rendered as by Dr. Richard I. Miller, Associate Director, Project on Instruction, National Education Association; Dr. John Kelley, Lisioon Officer with the National Broadcasting Company's "Continental Chaseroom" with the National Broadcasting Company's "Continental Chaseroom" for the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; Dr. Edward C. Pomeroy, Executive Secretary of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; Dr. Merrill Hartshorn, inition of Colleges for Teacher Education; Dr. Merrill Hartshorn Executive Secretary, National Council for Social Studies, National Education Association; Dr. Erling N. Hunt, Chairman, Department of the Teaching of Social Studies, Teachers College, Columbia University; Dr. and Mrs. Harry Overstreet, authors, lecturers and versity; Dr. and Mrs. Harry Overstreet, authors, lecturers and Foreign Policy Research Institute, University of Pennsylvania; and Doctors W. Glenn Campbell and Stefan Puseony, Hower Institution of War, Revolution and Peace, Stanford University.

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The American Bar Association is sending this provisional edition without obligation to interested educators and educational institutions who have the prime responsibility for the training of our ution's teachers and who wish to provide specialized training to

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nothers responsible for the education of our youth, preparing them effect to understand and must the challenges of this contary and to guide this Nation safely through whatever lies ahead."

It is a source of real antifaction to the Committee that where in the past there might have been controverry and even came in morey about such an effort as this, there has been full agreement manny reponsible scholars and leaders of varying political persons into that such an effort is not only desirable but is visally assessary

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Burke Karshall Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

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FROM : Gordon A. Martin, Jr. Attorney

susject: Rankin County, Mississippi 1971(a)

Thile in Rankin County recently preparing for the trial of the case of <u>United States</u> v. <u>Edwards</u>, I had occasion on May 16 and 17, 1963 to pass by the United States Post Office in Brandon, Mississippi, the county seat. On both occasions I noticed in the front window of the Fost Office a large poster advertising a neeting of the Brandon Chapter of the Nonen for Constitutional Government which was held on May 16, 1963. This is a right wing political organization which has as its local co-chairnan, Mrs. John McLaurin, the wife of the state senator who is opposing Attorney General Patterson.

It seems to me that the use of federal property to advertise any political meeting is improper, and I submit this information to you for whatever reference to the Post Office Department was you feel in market Department you may feel it merits.

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Hon. Burke Harshall Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division Justice Department Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Burke:

John Silard wanted you to have a copy of this memorandum he prepared and has spolen to you about. I hope to talk to you soon, but knowing how frantically busy you are, I have desisted up to now.

More mover to you, and best regards.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Flemine Executive Vice President

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